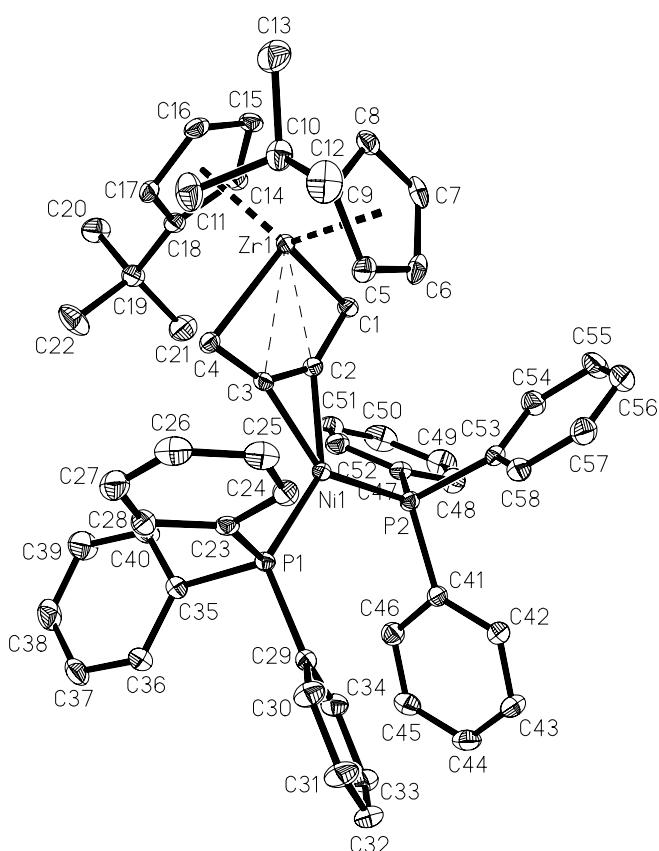


Crystal structure of 3,3-bis(*tert*-butyl-cyclopentadienyl)-bicyclo[3.1.0]hex-3-zircona-1(5)-ene-6-nickela-6,6-bis(triphenylphosphine), $(C_9H_{13})_2(ZrC_4H_4)Ni(C_{18}H_{15}P)_2$

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Abstract

$C_{58}H_{60}NiP_2Zr$, monoclinic, $P12_1/n1$ (no. 14),
 $a = 12.378(3)$ Å, $b = 10.353(2)$ Å, $c = 38.031(8)$ Å,
 $\beta = 95.74(3)$ °, $V = 4849.2$ Å³, $Z = 4$, $R_{gt}(F) = 0.023$,
 $wR_{ref}(F^2) = 0.054$, $T = 200$ K.

Source of material

The complex $(t\text{-Bu-C}_5\text{H}_4)_2\text{Zr}(\eta^4\text{-H}_2\text{C}_4\text{H}_2)$ (0.38 g, 0.98 mmol) was dissolved in THF (15 ml) and a dark yellow solution of $(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)\text{Ni}(\text{PPh}_3)_2$ (0.6 g, 0.98 mmol) in THF (10 ml) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred at 323 K for 48 hours. After that time all volatiles were removed in vacuum and the remaining yellow powder was washed three times with cold (253 K) *n*-hexane (2 ml). The *n*-hexane containing powder was dried in vacuum and

dissolved in hot THF (5 ml). The dark yellow solution was allowed to cool down to room temperature during 24 hours in a dewar, initially filled with hot water, to yield yellow crystals.

Experimental details

The H atoms (except the H atoms attached to C1 and C4) are added geometrically and refined using the riding model.

Discussion

We recently reported that unsubstituted 1-zirconacyclopent-3-yne $\text{Cp}_2\text{Zr}(\eta^4\text{-H}_2\text{C}_4\text{H}_2)$ reacts with equimolar amounts of the nickel(0) complexes $L_2\text{Ni}(\eta^2\text{-C}_2\text{H}_4)$ ($L = \text{PPh}_3$ or PCy_3) in THF at room temperature to give the binuclear complexes $\text{Cp}_2\text{Zr}[\mu(\eta^4\text{-H}_2\text{C}_4\text{H}_2)]\text{NiL}_2$ [1]. Additionally, the complex $\text{Me}_2\text{Si}(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_4)_2\text{Zr}[\mu(\eta^4\text{-H}_2\text{C}_4\text{H}_2)]\text{Ni}(\text{PPh}_3)_2$ was investigated [2]. These molecules are not planar with regard to the moiety $\text{ZrC}_\alpha\text{C}_\beta\text{C}_\beta'\text{C}_\alpha'\text{Ni}$. In contrast to that the structure of the here presented complex was calculated (B3LYP/LANL2DZ) to be planar due to the sterical influence of the *tert*-butyl groups [3]. To prove the DFT predictions we performed the X-ray crystal structure analysis of the title compound which shows a high steric demand. The molecular structure of $(t\text{-Bu-C}_5\text{H}_4)_2\text{Zr}[\mu(\eta^4\text{-C}_4\text{H}_4)]\text{Ni}(\text{PPh}_3)_2$ is almost similar to that of the unsubstituted compound. The complex displays beside a bent zirconocene an additional butyne-1,4-diy ligand, which coordinates with its triple bond a Ni(0) center. The bonding distance C2—C3 is 1.308(2) Å and in the range of a double bond. The coordination environment at the Ni(0) center is slightly distorted trigonal planar. The angle between the planes defined by Ni1, C2, C3 and Ni1, P1, P2 is 4.9°. The part of the molecule $\text{ZrC}_\alpha\text{C}_\beta\text{C}_\beta'\text{C}_\alpha'\text{Ni}$ is not planar. Angles between the planes defined by $\text{ZrC}_\alpha\text{C}_\alpha'$ and $\text{C}_\alpha\text{C}_\beta\text{C}_\beta'\text{C}_\alpha'$ of 15.6° and between the latter plane and $\text{C}_\beta\text{C}_\beta'\text{Ni}$ of 13.2° were obtained. The deviation from the calculated data may be due to packing effects.

Table 1. Data collection and handling.

Crystal:	yellow prism, size 0.25 × 0.35 × 0.40 mm
Wavelength:	Mo K_α radiation (0.71073 Å)
μ :	7.06 cm ⁻¹
Diffractometer, scan mode:	Stoe IPDS II, ω/ϕ
$2\theta_{\max}$:	49.18°
$N(hkl)_{\text{measured}}$, $N(hkl)_{\text{unique}}$:	55594, 8125
Criterion for I_{obs} , $N(hkl)_{\text{gt}}$:	$I_{\text{obs}} > 2\sigma(I_{\text{obs}})$, 6710
$N(\text{param})_{\text{refined}}$:	575
Programs:	SHELXS-97 [4], SHELXL-97 [5]

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Table 3. Continued.

Atom	Site	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>U</i> ₁₁	<i>U</i> ₂₂	<i>U</i> ₃₃	<i>U</i> ₁₂	<i>U</i> ₁₃	<i>U</i> ₂₃
C(34)	4e	1.0682(2)	0.8356(2)	0.24877(5)	0.032(1)	0.038(1)	0.0255(9)	0.0032(9)	0.0042(7)	0.0015(8)
C(35)	4e	0.8890(1)	0.6807(2)	0.18908(4)	0.0254(9)	0.0228(9)	0.0262(9)	-0.0003(7)	0.0039(7)	0.0017(7)
C(36)	4e	0.8819(2)	0.6034(2)	0.21855(5)	0.035(1)	0.033(1)	0.029(1)	-0.0028(8)	0.0041(8)	0.0055(8)
C(37)	4e	0.8651(2)	0.4716(2)	0.21481(6)	0.036(1)	0.033(1)	0.051(1)	-0.0034(9)	0.0038(9)	0.019(1)
C(38)	4e	0.8531(2)	0.4162(2)	0.18194(6)	0.048(1)	0.022(1)	0.063(2)	-0.0042(9)	0.001(1)	0.004(1)
C(39)	4e	0.8588(2)	0.4909(2)	0.15231(6)	0.082(2)	0.027(1)	0.043(1)	-0.005(1)	0.001(1)	-0.0065(9)
C(40)	4e	0.8778(2)	0.6224(2)	0.15593(5)	0.068(2)	0.024(1)	0.029(1)	-0.005(1)	0.0044(9)	0.0003(8)
C(41)	4e	1.2535(1)	0.9005(2)	0.18754(4)	0.0218(9)	0.030(1)	0.0227(8)	-0.0031(8)	0.0039(7)	0.0005(7)
C(42)	4e	1.2922(2)	0.9926(2)	0.21232(5)	0.033(1)	0.030(1)	0.030(1)	-0.0021(8)	-0.0011(8)	0.0003(8)
C(43)	4e	1.3563(2)	0.9564(2)	0.24276(5)	0.040(1)	0.047(1)	0.028(1)	-0.007(1)	-0.0049(8)	-0.0032(9)
C(44)	4e	1.3829(2)	0.8287(2)	0.24885(5)	0.035(1)	0.055(1)	0.029(1)	0.002(1)	-0.0009(8)	0.010(1)
C(45)	4e	1.3446(2)	0.7358(2)	0.22480(5)	0.038(1)	0.038(1)	0.036(1)	0.0059(9)	0.0056(8)	0.0097(9)
C(46)	4e	1.2807(2)	0.7712(2)	0.19442(5)	0.034(1)	0.032(1)	0.032(1)	-0.0009(8)	0.0043(8)	-0.0001(8)
C(47)	4e	1.2390(1)	0.8508(2)	0.11570(4)	0.0295(9)	0.028(1)	0.0202(8)	0.0021(8)	0.0023(7)	0.0017(7)
C(48)	4e	1.3498(2)	0.8721(2)	0.11389(5)	0.033(1)	0.041(1)	0.037(1)	-0.0006(9)	0.0085(8)	-0.0035(9)
C(49)	4e	1.4067(2)	0.7993(2)	0.09164(6)	0.039(1)	0.058(2)	0.050(1)	0.010(1)	0.019(1)	0.002(1)
C(50)	4e	1.3548(2)	0.7026(2)	0.07115(6)	0.064(2)	0.051(1)	0.041(1)	0.021(1)	0.022(1)	-0.002(1)
C(51)	4e	1.2461(2)	0.6804(2)	0.07276(5)	0.063(2)	0.036(1)	0.032(1)	0.008(1)	0.003(1)	-0.0079(9)
C(52)	4e	1.1881(2)	0.7544(2)	0.09497(5)	0.038(1)	0.031(1)	0.0270(9)	0.0022(9)	0.0008(8)	-0.0008(8)
C(53)	4e	1.1817(1)	1.1087(2)	0.13899(4)	0.0223(9)	0.029(1)	0.0234(8)	-0.0043(7)	-0.0020(7)	0.0009(7)
C(54)	4e	1.2336(2)	1.1572(2)	0.11095(5)	0.034(1)	0.039(1)	0.035(1)	-0.0042(9)	0.0062(8)	0.0056(9)
C(55)	4e	1.2356(2)	1.2896(2)	0.10482(6)	0.048(1)	0.045(1)	0.047(1)	-0.011(1)	0.006(1)	0.019(1)
C(56)	4e	1.1859(2)	1.3740(2)	0.12622(6)	0.056(1)	0.031(1)	0.052(1)	-0.006(1)	-0.010(1)	0.011(1)
C(57)	4e	1.1331(2)	1.3275(2)	0.15357(5)	0.050(1)	0.029(1)	0.041(1)	0.002(1)	-0.0047(9)	-0.0032(9)
C(58)	4e	1.1304(2)	1.1961(2)	0.15981(5)	0.037(1)	0.031(1)	0.0266(9)	-0.0024(8)	0.0015(8)	-0.0005(8)
Ni(1)	4e	0.98895(2)	0.90941(2)	0.143986(5)	0.0208(1)	0.0228(1)	0.0168(1)	-0.00277(9)	0.00240(8)	0.00078(9)
P(1)	4e	0.91224(3)	0.85534(4)	0.19056(1)	0.0237(2)	0.0217(2)	0.0171(2)	-0.0018(2)	0.0032(2)	0.0002(2)
P(2)	4e	1.16207(3)	0.93617(4)	0.14750(1)	0.0221(2)	0.0255(2)	0.0196(2)	-0.0028(2)	0.0025(2)	-0.0017(2)
Zr(1)	4e	0.81440(1)	1.02635(2)	0.054350(4)	0.02285(9)	0.01891(9)	0.01703(8)	-0.00294(7)	0.00150(6)	-0.00008(6)

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